

South-Carolina Gazette.

Containing the freshest Advices Foreign and Domestick

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Insanivimus Omnes. HOR.

SOME Persons of a remarkable grave Turn, and great Delicacy in their Taste, having been offended by a late ludicrous Entertainment; I shall now attempt to shew some of the Advantages that may arise from a Spirit of Humour and Raillery both in Conversation and Writing. The general Usefulness of that Paper, I believe, no one, who has the least Notion of Cleanliness, will deny; however the Object may by some be thought too mean and ignoble, though very undeservedly, as is plain from the following Lines of the incomparable BUTLER.

*But Hudibras gave him a Twitch
As quick as Lightning in the Breech,
Just in the Place where Honour's lodg'd,
As wise Philosophers have judg'd,
Because a Kick in that Part, more
Hurts Honour, than deep Wounds before,*

But if neither this, nor a generous Intention of serving the Publick, be thought a sufficient Excuse; all I shall farther urge, is, that every Man must *unclasp* and *unbend*, and *relax* and be *silly* sometimes his own Way.

Dulce est desipere in Loco.

For a Philosopher says, That Man is a *Bubble*; and a Poet, That *Men are but Children of a greater Growth*; and if we have but Good-Nature enough to indulge *other Fools*, because in some Instances we *are* all of us to ourselves, 'tis as great a Mastery as we can arrive to.

But to proceed to our intended Subject; *Raillery*, or the Art of humorous Conversation or Writing, is not to be taken for deriding or fooling, for bantering, bamboozelling, drolling or joaking, or any low Species of Humour or Buffoonry; but it

must be understood, to signify in this place, a specifick Essence extracted by Force or Custom from each of these ludicrous Qualities, which when attended with a vastness and fecundity of Invention, a good Memory, a happy Faculty of foreseeing Advantages, and enriched with the choicest Flowers of human Learning, qualifies a Man to give a delicious seasoning to the most insipid Conversation, some Drops of which subtle Spirit, by a fortuitious Concourse and lucky Disposition of the nervous Juices, penetrating into the fibres of the Brains of some one, or more in a Company of *Belli Homunculi*, communicate a Gaiety to all, by insensible Perspiration, occasion'd by rubbing and irritation, which heats and expands this salutary Elixir, and when the Operation is begun, the *vis Comica* displays itself, and the Company grows bright by Collisions of Wit. Men perceive an uncommon briskness and celerity given to their animal Spirits and a lively Circulation to the whole Mass of fluids, their Blood invigorated and mantling in their Veins, their Faces shining in humorous Postures; all splenetick Obstructions removed, and an universal Alacrity diffused over their whole *animal Oeconomy*, they improve each other by filing the Rust, rough Sides and restiness of their Conduct; placing their Imperfections in the most ludicrous Points of Light, and give and take Lessons of Wisdom, by putting each others Faults out of Countenance, draw Instructions from Mirth, and Morality from Laughter.

The predominant quality of this glibbing Humour is saltiness, which frets whatever is deformed and disagreeable, and contrary to Decency and good Manners; and by its wonderful stypticity, dries up the Filthiness and Corruptions of Conversation; but preserves and brightens what is amiable and virtuous,

vertuous, genteel and polite, and consistent with a judicious Management of our Words and Actions.

It is from this Property, the Wits of *Rome* borrowing from their *Grecian* Masters, called the Pleasantries of their Conversation, *Sales*, as if they cured Men of their Foibles and Imperfections, by the poignancy of their facetious Railleries, and seasoned them with a philosophical Pickle, as an Antidote against the Taint of an indecent and immoral Behaviour.

The ancient Philosophers practised this gay way of moralizing, as an excellent expedient for exposing and reforming the Follies of Mankind: *Socrates* the great Father of Morality, among the Heathen World, acquired the Name of *Eiron* the Drole from the ironical Turn of his Conversation; and his whole Life if we may believe *Quintilian*, was one continued Scene of Gibing and Banter, Irony and Irrision. *Aristotle* likewise, in his *Ethicks*, dignifies it with a Place in his Catalogue of Vertues, and recommends its Use when regulated by good Manners and good Sense.

I am of Opinion, that the real Parent of this valuable Accomplishment, is a plentiful Table, for *Solomon* says, *A Feast is for Laughter, and Wine is for Merriment*; for good eating and drinking begets good Humour, and has a natural Efficacy to promote Chearfulness; it dilates the Heart, opens the Countenance, gives richness and activity to the animal Spirits, enlarges their Quantity, and spreads a Face of Gladness and Exultation over the whole Company: With this the learned and ignorant, the airy and dull, the Philosopher and Buffoon, the giber and giber, are at once affected, their Souls filled with gay Ideas, and turned to Wit and Humour. Men at that Season are least captious, and freest from Resentments; and ill Humour would appear as preposterous as an affected Negligence of Dress. Can a Man be morose or ill-natur'd who has his Belly full of Beef; or dull, who has his Spirits raised and invigorated with Claret and good Company? I take a good Entertainment to be the long-sought-for universal *Menstruum* of the *Chymists*, that by its surprising Qualities, absorbs the Particles of Spleen, Malice and Ill-Nature, that are the Growth of human Constitutions; changes Peevishness into Affability, Passion into Patience, and works Resentments into Reconciliations.

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

PARIS, Apr. 4. N. S.

HIS Sardinian Majesty has, at the pressing Instances of the Courts of Vienna and London, acceded to the Treaty of Pragmatick Sanction.

April 8. Letters from Rome advise, that though a Palace was hired there for the late Duke of Ormond, they had received Advice that he had passed incognito thro' Genoa, and was to go another way.

Hague, Mar. 20. All the King of Spain's Troops are ready to enter the Field: And they are fitting out with the greatest Expedition a numerous Fleet, which is to be ready to put to Sea by the middle of April, or beginning of May.

March 31. When the Deputies of Zealand offered the Prince of Orange 400,000 Florins by way of Equivalent for his Marquisate of Ter Veer and Flushing, that Prince answered, *Gentlemen, If the Marquisate belongs to me, it is not to be purchased with all the Money in Zealand: If it does not belong to me, why do you offer me Money for it?*

Leghorn, Mar. 29. Some Nights ago the Captain and Super-cargo of an English Ship lately arrived, knocking pretty late at the Door of one of the publick Houses in this City where they sell Ale, a Spanish Serjeant that lived in the Neighbourhood gave them some ill Language for being out at that Hour, and would compel them to return to their Ship, without any Liquor; but the Englishmen not regarding his Threats continued rapping, when on a sudden the Spaniard discharged his Piece at them, and thereby killed one, and very much wounded the other; he has since taken sanctuary in the Church of St. Sebastian.

Edinburgh, Feb. 8. We have the following surprising Account from Boyle in Ireland, that there is living there one Brewen, aged 109, who carried Arms in the Parliament Forces, 1641. He retains his old Set of Teeth, on the Inside of which he has a new Set. About 2 Years ago he cast one of his old Fore-teeth, and has new in its Place. He lost his Sight suddenly about 16 Years ago; but has lately recovered in some Measure the Sight of one Eye.

LONDON,

March 16. We see a very extraordinary Account from Ratizbon, viz. That the Reformation in Saltzburgh has begun again to spread in such a Degree that no less than 10,000 more of the Inhabitants have declared

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ed for the Protestant Religion, and their Resolutions to retire to other Countries.

There is a Report in Town that Col. Keith, Brother to the late Earl Marshal of Scotland, who was in the Rebellion in 1715, was married to a *Northern Princess*.

We hear, that the Lord Torrington has left 5000 l. to the Corporation for the Relief of Sea-Officers Widows; and 5000 l. to Greenwich Hospital.

It is written from Constantinople, Jan. 15. O. S. that it was currently reported there, that Thomas Kouly Kan, General of the Persian Army, who had lately deposed the Schach Thomas, had lately made away with him and his Children, and procured himself to be proclaimed Schach, or Emperor.

Jan. 27. On Tuesday at a Court-Martial, at Portsmouth, on board the Dreadnought, (Vice-Admiral Cavendish President) the Capt. of the Rose was mulcted of 3 Months pay, for his ill Treatment to his Ships Company; which having the Court's Leave of discharging themselves from his Service, 'tis to be feared Capt. Cotterell will meet with some Difficulty e'er he can fail.

SALLY's Answer to the Poem on Similes (mentioned in the Gazette No. 79.)

Rejoice with me, ye Sisters of the Trade,
My Name's in print, and Verses on me made.
In vain I have not us'd my Tongue, and Bellows,
Since notic'd by the smartest, prettiest Fellows:
My Art in Dresting brought me from the Dark;
My Kitchen Fire has kindled many a Spark:
That Fire, pernicious to Complexions fair,
Has mine improv'd, and giv'n a brighter Air.
My Bard's Description garnishes our Meat,
Yet makes our Guests to gaze, not drink and eat:
The Tankard froths with Similes so fit,
And on the Liquor squirts the rest of Wit.
His Purpose good, yet see the bad Effect,
I mimic him in Rhime, my Chops neglect.
Sour as my Pickles, I on others look;
When he's away, the De'll may be the Cook.
Then prithee, DAMON, SALLY don't forsake,
But leave vain Business for a tender Stake,
Hot, full of Gravy flowing round the Plate;
Which wants no Sauce, but what it can create.
Tho' 'tis not large, 'twill prove beyond your Wish,
More than enough, a sound, substantial Dish.
With Linnen clean you'll find the Table spread,
And the deck'd Board, an Emblem of my Bed.

CHARLESTOWN, August 11.

Tuesday next is appointed for the Meeting of the Honourable the Commons House of Assembly, according to Adjournment. And

The Court of Common Pleas begins the same Day.

Extract of a private Letter from England. We have had here a Cough and Cold so very Epidemick, that few escap'd it, accompanied with a seeming light Fever, yet in a few Days it carried off abundance of People, especially the Aged: The Mortality was so great, that there died in London 1588 in one Week. This Distemper has been all over England, nay all over Europe; there having died of it at Paris 18,000, and it was computed that 60,000 were there let Blood for it. It began first with the Horses.

PRICES of the following GOODS.

Rice 37 s. 6 d. to 40 s. per Hund. Pitch 40 s. to 42 s.
6 d. per Bar. Tar 35 s. per Bar. Turpentine, 20 s. to
22 s. 6 d. per Hund. Skins 17 s. 6 d. to 18 s. 9 d. per
Pound. Wine None. Indian Corn 12 s. 6 d. per
Bushel. Staves 14 to 15 l. per Thousand. Flour 3 l. 10 s.
per Hund. Brown Bread 3 l. 10 s. Middl. ditto
4 l. 10 s. White 6 l. 10 s. Milk Bisket 10 l. Barbadoes
Rum 11 s. 3 d. per Hogsh. Limejuice 13 s. 9 d. per
Hogsh. Melasses 6 s. 3 d. per Hogsh. Salt 12 s. 6 d. per
Bushel.

CUSTOM-HOUSE, Charlestown, Entered in,
Sloop Port Royal, Joseph Bloodworth, from Providence.

Entered on.

Brigt. Betty, Joseph Boyd, for Glasgow.

Pine Apple, Andrew Sigourney, for London.

Ship Shepherd, Simon Ford, for Bristol.

Cleared for Departure.

Sloop Mary, John Galen, to Providence.

Benjamin, Joseph Hinson, to Bermuda.

Ship Eubonia, James Moore, to Lisbon.

Pearl, William Thompson, to Jamaica.

EXPORTED from this PLACE since Nov. 3, 1732, to
August 10, 1733.

Rice 45,984 Barrels, and 628 Bags Pitch 12,898,
Tar 5,514 Turpentine 2,160. Whereof 8,227 Barrels,
and 538 Bags of Rice for FOREIGN MARKETS.



A Plantation, containing 150 Acres

of choice planting Land, and a fine Brick-House and Out-houses, very commodious, with a choice Garden and Orchard, &c. within 5 Miles of a Landing, the said lying in *Wampsey*, to be Sold by *James Stewart*.

To be Sold by John Laurens, Sadler,
in *Charlestown*, a very neat Chariot, with all suitable Furniture: Also a good new Chaise, and all Accoutrements, to be Sold, either with a Horse, or without: Likewise a very handsome Desk and Book-Cafe.

To be Sold, very reasonably, a
Tract of Land containing 750 Acres, lying on *Brennford's* Creek on *Wando* River, being good for Rice, Corn, Turpentine, Bricks, and very good sawing Timber, not above 12 Miles from *Charlestown*, with a good new House, Kitchen, a Barn, Corn-house, and several Out-houses, with a good Garden and Orchard. If any Person hath a Mind to purchase the same, they may treat with Mr. *Henry Braden* in *Charlestown*, or *Thomas Bagins* in the Country.

Whereas John Wainwright, Apprentice
to *Thomas Seson*, of *Charlestown*, Joiner, did in Company with *Richard Beach*, Apprentice to *Nathaniel Ford*, Shipwright at *Hobkoy*, Runaway from their said Masters, on Thursday the 9th Inst. This is to desire any Person to secure the the said Apprentices, and bring them to either of the said Masters, and they shall be reasonably Rewarded: And all Persons are forbidden to entertain the said Apprentices, as they will answer the same at their Peril.

To be sold or hired out, a very good
Negro Wench, fit for any sort of House Work. Enquire of *James Osmond* in *Charlestown*.

Good Quart Bottles to be Sold
very reasonably, by *Nich. Hains* Victualer, in *Charlestown*.

All Persons that have any Demands
on the Estate of Dr. *Peter Murray*, Deceased, are desired to send their Accounts to Mr. *Gillson Clapp*, in *Charlestown*, or Mrs. *Murray* at *Locke*, that proper Measures may be taken for discharging the same.

To be sold by Mr. William Dry for any Credit required, upon the Purchaser's giving good Security, and paying Interest annually from the time of taking Possession

OR, To be LET for a term of Years.

A Plantation about two Miles above Goose-

Creek Bridge, fronting the high Road, having on it a good brick Dwelling-House, a brick Store-Houses, a brick Kitchen and Wash-House, a brick Necessary-House, a Barn with a large brick Chimney, with several Rice Mills, Mortars, &c. a winnowing House, an Oven, a large Stable and Coach-House, a Cooper's Shop, a House built for a Smith's Shop, a Garden of each Side of the House, with Posts, Rails and Pails of the best stuff, all plained & painted, & brick'd underneath, a Fish-pond well stored with Perch, Roach, Pike, Eels and Cat-fish, a handsome cedar Horie-block, or double pair of Stairs, Frames, Planks, &c. ready to be fix'd, in and about a Spring within 3 Stones throw of the House, intended for a Cold Bath, and House over it, 3 large Damp-ponds, whose Banks with some small Repairs, may drown upwards of 100 Acres of Land, which being very plentifully stored with Game all the Winter Season, affords great Diversion, an Orchard of very good Apple and Peach Trees, a Corn House and Poultry House, that may with repairing serve some Years longer, a small Tenement with a Brick Chimney, on the other side of the high Road, fronting the Dwelling-House, and at least 400 Acres of the Land clear'd, all, except what is planted, very good Pasture, and no part of the Tract had, the whole having a Clay Foundation, and not deep; great part of it fenc'd in, and upwards of a Mile of it with a Ditch 7 Feet wide and 2 and a half deep. Also to be sold, a corner Lot in the Broad-Lane of *Bonifant* Town on *Port-Royal* Island. And 200 Acres of Land, at *English Santee*, on the north side of the River, joining a large *Savannah*, very commodious for a Cow-ken or Hog-Caul.